

# What people are saying

“ This was an excellent chance for us to find out a lot more about university, especially from students themselves. Before I went on the trip I was not sure about going to university but now I can't wait to pass my GCSE's and get there.”

Year 10 student, Bromley School

“ Students are acutely aware that Higher Education is required for them to achieve future success in the workplace. Without doubt the opportunity to visit universities as part of Aimhigher schemes has developed this awareness.”

Head of Sixth Form, Sutton School

“ Thank you for giving Harvey the opportunity to go to Roehampton University on Friday, he thoroughly enjoyed the day. Harvey has told me that this has confirmed his wishes to study hard in order to go to university. As a single mother that did not have this opportunity myself I am thrilled that he has decided that this is his goal and I have you to thank for making him aware of the choices available.”

Year 9 parent

# Our growing network

We are currently working with:

## Schools and Academies

**Bromley:** Charles Darwin High School, The Ravensbourne School, Kemnal Technology College Croydon: Addington High School, Archbishop Lanfranc, Oasis Shirley Park, Quest Academy Selsdon, St Mary's High School, Thomas More High School **Kingston:** Coombe Boys' School, Coombe Girls' School, Southborough School for Boys **Merton:** Harris Academy Merton, Raynes Park High School **Richmond:** Christ's School, Hampton Academy, Twickenham Academy **Sutton:** Carshalton Girls' School, Carshalton Boys' School **Tower Hamlets:** Bishop Challoner Catholic Collegiate School, Bow School, Cambridge Heath Sixth Form, Central Foundation Girls' School, George Green's School, Langdon Park School, Mulberry Girls' Schools, Raines Foundation Church of England School, St Paul's Way Trust School, Sir John Cass Foundation and Red Coat Church of England Secondary School, Stepney Green Maths and Computing College.

## Colleges

Carshalton College, John Ruskin College, Kingston College, Richmond upon Thames College, Tower Hamlets College

## Universities

Kingston University, University of Roehampton, St Mary's University College, Twickenham

## Employers

NHS London

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# Aimhigher...

## London South

Developing partnerships to ensure appropriate progression for all.

Aimhigher made me focus,

I used to muck about

and get E's and F's and now I can get B's and C's. I changed because of visiting universities and finding out what grades you need to get into college.

Year 10 Aimhigher student

[www.aimhigherlondonsouth.org.uk](http://www.aimhigherlondonsouth.org.uk)

# The need

In an unprecedented climate of change for education as many schools convert to Academy status, FE Colleges lose the support of the EMA and Universities increase their tuition fees there has never been a more crucial time for education institutions to work together to ensure young people are well informed about their own progression routes.

Aimhigher London South offers that platform for collaborative working.

# What we do

We focus on three key areas; Professional support, Co-ordinating activities for target groups, Collecting data and evaluating activity.

## Professional support

We believe that our partners are our key asset. Our development is led by their needs and their requirements which might include information on tuition fees, how to identify the most appropriate students from widening participation backgrounds to apply to Higher Education or how to raise the aspirations of a group of disaffected year 10 students.

“ Through our links with Aimhigher, School Liaison at Kingston University gave a very informative talk to our Sixth form staff in March. We will soon be thinking about our year 12 students and their applications which they will start in July. We are going to hold a UCAS training day for them and thanks to Aimhigher and School Liaison at Kingston University, we feel more confident in ourselves and can pass this feeling onto our students.”

Head of Sixth Form, Sutton School

# Who we are

Aimhigher London South is a limited company working to ensure fair access to Higher Education for young people from non-traditional backgrounds. We do this by linking schools, colleges, universities, education providers and employers together to work effectively.

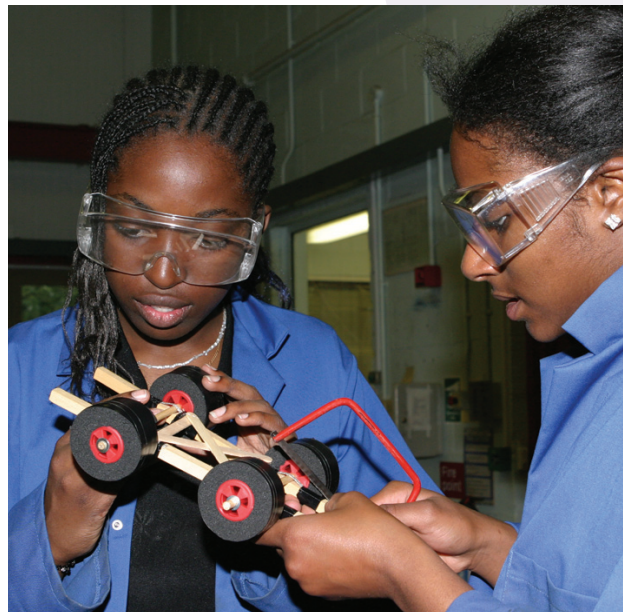
Having worked with many of our partners through the government funded Aimhigher programme over the past 8 years Aimhigher London South have developed a track record of enabling and supporting transition.

## Co-ordinating activities for target groups

We work with our partner schools and colleges to identify key groups of students:

- Those from low participation neighbourhoods with the potential to succeed
- Gifted and talented
- Those with specific learning difficulties
- Looked After Children
- Vocational Learners

Having identified their needs and requirements we then link groups of students to appropriate activities (such as



“ Good leadership and management have helped the sixth form grow significantly over a three year period, with improvements in staying on rates to Year 13 and in the proportion of students continuing to higher education. The Aimhigher programme has made a good contribution to this.”

Ofsted inspection, Sutton School

taster days, mentoring, masterclasses, Summer Schools, vocational subject taster days) delivered by universities, colleges, other educational providers and employers.

## Collecting data and evaluating activity

Aimhigher London South gathers information from schools and colleges on those learners that have potential to progress onto the most selective universities and courses. This alerts universities and employers to appropriate learners within schools and colleges to support their progression.

